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In the application of )

Philip HALL )

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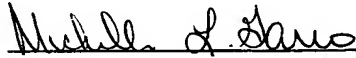
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2004, the Applicant, through his attorney, responds as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.